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## 41 KILLED, 500 INJURED IN TRIBAL BATTLES

Johannesburg, Dec. 26.  
Forty-one Africans were killed and 500 were injured in battles between tribal and other factions in teeming African shanty towns on the outskirts of Johannesburg on Christmas Day.  
Women, chanting fierce tribal battle songs, urged their men on as they gathered on opposite sides of a street in Orlando township, armed with sticks and pieces of iron.

## Man Crashes Doing Death-Defying Stunt

London, Dec. 26.  
Hundreds of people watching Bertram Mills Circus at Olympia today saw German-born Arno Wickbold, "Wall of Death" motorcyclist, crash 20 metres to the floor of the ring.

Wickbold, 34, was rushed to hospital unconscious. He was later found to be badly injured and suffering from multiple injuries.

The accident occurred when Wickbold, while driving his motor cycle, lost control and crashed into the bottom of the cage, missing the net and crashed to the ground.

Suddenly his motor appeared to cut out and he and his machine plunged through an aperture in the bottom of the cage, missing the net and crashed to the ground.

Thousands of radio listeners heard the sounds of the accident while a commentary on the circus was being broadcast. —Reuter.

## Jane Wyman Robbed

Los Angeles, Dec. 26.  
The film star, Jane Wyman, said today that a Christmas burglar had robbed her of over \$100,000 worth of furs and jewelry.  
While she was out for air, her delivery presents a thief took two milk coats and a mink stole valued at \$18,000 and jewelry worth up to \$90,000, she said. —Reuter.

## Wrote Farewell Note, But Survived

West Frankfurt, Illinois, Dec. 26.  
Cecil Sanders, the only man to survive the Orient mine explosion, which killed 119 miners last Friday, scribbled a note to his wife and two children saying "Meet me in Heaven" before losing consciousness from gas poisoning.  
He wrote the note on a packet of sweets and it was found by a nurse in the hospital where he was tonight still recovering. Most of the time Sanders was conscious he prayed and sang hymns.  
"I know it was Almighty God who took care of me and brought me out of that mine alive," he said.  
Hymns also sounded through many churches today as this colliery district buried its dead: 27 funerals were held during Christmas Day and nearly 50 more today. The burial of the other 42 will be completed tomorrow. —Reuter.

## Korea Armistice Negotiations

## Ridgway Authorised To Extend 30-Day Agreement

Washington, Dec. 26.  
General Matthew B. Ridgway, the United Nations Supreme Commander in Korea, has been authorised to extend for 30 days if he sees fit the agreement with the Communists that the existing battle-line in Korea shall be the line for an armistice if one is negotiated.  
Diplomatic officials who reported this today expected both sides to agree to a temporary extension while the negotiations go forward on other details of the cease-fire.

The 30-day agreement on the cease-fire demarcation line is due to expire tomorrow.

The United Nations and Communist delegates drew a cease-fire line on November 27 and agreed that this would be the permanent line if an armistice were signed in 30 days.

If not, the negotiations would continue and the line be redrawn to reflect the subsequent battle gains before signing an armistice agreement.  
At today's talks at Pan Mun Jom, neither side mentioned the deadline. The official Allied attitude was that no special deadline existed. An official said that the agreement on the line was lapsing and that was all. Officials in Washington said that at the moment, the only thing at stake was to prevent a

renewal of large-scale fighting over Korean territory.

The negotiations on the exchange of prisoners and other issues were expected to go on regardless of what happened, they said. —Reuter.

Peking Radio said tonight that there was no hope of reaching an armistice before the cease-fire line agreement expires.  
The Radio was quoting an editorial from the Peking People's Daily, the official Chinese Communist Party organ.  
Brigadier General William P. Nuckolls, the United Nations spokesman, said at Munson tonight that the deadline on the cease-fire line agreement would expire at midnight, December 27.

General Nuckolls said: "At one minute after midnight, any military gains are for keeps." —Reuter.

# Demonstrations In Cairo And Alexandria

## CABINET APPOINTMENTS AROUSE PROTESTS

Cairo, Dec. 26.  
Police in Alexandria used tear gas bombs and fired in the air today to disperse crowds demonstrating against yesterday's appointment of Hafez Afifi Pasha as chief of King Farouk's Royal Cabinet.

Other demonstrations were held in Cairo. In both cities the marchers also protested against the appointment of Ambassador Amr Pasha, recently recalled from London, as the King's adviser on foreign affairs.

In both cities a state of emergency was proclaimed and truckloads of Police patrolled the main streets.

A heightening of political tension was noticeable. In Cairo the demonstrators were speedily dispersed. But in Alexandria they re-grouped after the Police had broken up their procession and pressed forward again.

## Pleven's Budget Fight

## Obtains A Second Reading For Bill

Paris, Dec. 26.  
The Finance Commission of the French National Assembly agreed today to give a second reading to the 1952 budget bill which it disapproved at its first reading last week.

Premier Rene Pleven and the Finance Minister, M. Rene Mayer, asked for the second reading this morning.

The Premier declared that he would stake the life of his Government in votes of confidence as often as necessary to get the bill passed and give France a balanced budget.

After the Premier had spoken the Finance Commission, of which M. Paul Reynaud is the spokesman, agreed to give the measure a second reading later today.

The Finance Commission, at its first reading, did these things:  
1.—Rejected the greater part of the 160 milliard franc (about £160 million) of new and increased taxation proposed by the Government to raise the total of 3,370 milliard francs required in 1952.

2.—Proposed palliatives and reductions of tax amounting to more than 180 milliard francs (about £180 million) and  
3.—Rejected clauses empowering the Government to make, by degrees, economies in the national railways and social services.

M. Mayer said that the Commission's decisions would amount to creating a deficit of 350 milliard francs.

M. Pleven said that the Government was willing to make changes in the nature of the taxes proposed but not in the total sum of the budget. They were also willing to amend the clauses concerning State economies.

On Monday the French Government decided to ask Parliament to vote 110 milliard francs for the French armed forces in Europe for the first two months of 1952.

The overruns military estimates, soon to be voted on in Parliament, covered the whole year and amounted to 350 milliard francs, of which 350 milliard francs were for Indo-China. —Reuter.

## XMAS ACCIDENTS IN THE US

New York, Dec. 26.  
Over the four-day Christmas holidays, 747 people in the United States died in fires, traffic and other accidents.

This came next to the record Christmas holiday death toll of 701 in 1948.

The new appointments were taken by political observers as a sign of increasing dissatisfaction with the present course of events under the Cabinet of Nuhus Pasha.

Uncertainty today gave birth to many rumours, the main one being that the Government was about to resign or be dismissed, but there was no confirmation of this from any responsible source.

Today's issue of the pro-Government newspaper, Al-Misri said, "So long as the Cabinet executes its patriotic policy it will not give up power."

But observers remained convinced that a serious internal crisis was on the way.

General Sir George Erskine, Commander of British troops in the Suez Canal Zone, declared today that if "com-

mandos of young men" from Cairo attacked his men he would "crush them" with powerful forces.

Commenting on Egyptian Press reports that commandos of Egyptian youths intended to leave Cairo to attack British troops in the Canal Zone, the General told reporters, "The responsibility for anything that might happen to these young men will rest firmly on the shoulders of those who have allowed them to proceed."

Christmas Day was quiet in the Canal Zone. There were only minor incidents, none involving casualties. —Reuter.

"ENVOY OF PEACE"  
London, Dec. 26.  
Diplomatic observers here today regarded King Farouk's appointment of two new advisers as indicating that he intends to play a more active role in arresting the deteriorating political and military situation in Egypt.

The appointments were those of Hafez Afifi Pasha to head the Royal Cabinet and Amr Pasha, former Ambassador in London, as foreign affairs adviser.

Their election was seen as a move to concentrate moderating influences in the crisis.

Afifi Pasha said after his appointment yesterday that he was an envoy of peace between the King and the Cabinet.

King Farouk's perturbation at the widening rift in Egypt's relations with the West and the deterioration of the situation in the Canal Zone has been known for some time.

There had been some evidence that the Cabinet was divided between moderates and extremists in its approach to the crisis. —Reuter.

## Spent Five Days Trying To Commit Suicide

Los Angeles, Dec. 26.  
Homer Hayden, aged 50, of Oakland, California, spent five days trying various ways of committing suicide.  
On Friday he slashed his wrist 20 times but was patched up.  
On Sunday he ran in front of a speeding car but was summoned for negligent walking.  
Yesterday he hurled himself in front of a tram but the driver stopped in time. Then he ran across a busy street junction, was knocked down and bruised.  
Last night he cut his wrists again, opened a third floor hotel window and jumped. When the ambulance arrived, he was dead. —Reuter.

## Man Killed By Bomb Explosion

## FLORIDA OUTRAGE

Miami, Dec. 26.  
A bomb explosion here fatally injured a Negro prominent in the Florida activities of the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People.

A deputy sheriff said that the man, Mr. Harry T. Moore, aged 46, a State Executive Secretary of the NAACP, died shortly after he was taken to a Sanford Hospital last night.

The bomb, which exploded with terrific force directly beneath the bedroom window of Mr. Moore's one-storey home, also injured Moore's wife, the deputy sheriff said.

Nearby homes in the small community were shaken by the blast and the front door to the Moore home was blown from its hinges.

In New York today, Mr. Walter White, the Executive Secretary of the NAACP, said that Mr. Moore was "another victim of a reign of terror and violence which has afflicted the State of Florida in recent months."

The murder, Mr. White said, could not be considered apart from other slayings, the bombing of Jewish synagogues and centres in Miami and the bombing of a Negro housing development project.

He said that the Governor of Florida, Mr. Fuller Warren, had "consistently refused to take any steps to uphold law and order."

Nor had the Federal Government taken effective action to bring the criminals to justice.

Mr. Warren today announced that he would have an immediate inquiry made into the bombing. —Reuter.

## COMMENT OF THE DAY

## Independence For Libya

THE end of the year brings a new run that a nation who believed in Democracy and in self-government for its own people could not deny them for others which happened by historical accident to have come under its own rule. It was inevitable that Britain should set up organs of local self-government in India; and from the moment that was done the evolution to complete self-government was assured, not only for India, but for other Asian and African territories which were under, or might come under British rule. The decision had in fact been made. It was recognised that the right to self-govern was not something reserved by nature for peoples of European stock. The process of evolution has been at times a painful one. But the issue has never been in doubt. Libya is the last of the Arab countries to have come by the chance of war under British administrative control. Under the terms of the peace treaty the decision as to its future was to be made by the four great Powers, or failing them, agreement by the United Nations Assembly. When the question first came up for consideration at the Paris meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers in April 1946, the late Mr Bevin at once urged that the two Italian colonies of Tripolitania and Cyrenaica should be given as soon as possible full independence as a united state of Libya. But there was no agreement. The story of the negotiations and of attempts first in the Council of Foreign Ministers, then in the Assembly is long, complex and not very edifying. But there is a reason for satisfaction that at last the British point of view prevailed and that the Assembly decision in 1950 was for independence by January 1952 when the British administration in Tripolitania and Cyrenaica and the French administration in the Fezzan would come to an end. That moment has now come and Libya (or the greater part of it) is added to the list of Arab countries which have gained their independence as the result of a long-term British policy that has been and is being applied throughout Asia and Africa.

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## Mossadegh's Latest "No"

Teheran, Dec. 26.  
The Prime Minister, Dr. Mohammed Mossadegh, today announced that Iran had rejected the World Bank's plan for settlement of the oil dispute with Britain.  
Dr. Mossadegh told foreign newsmen that the Iranian government could not accept the Bank's plan because:  
1. Iran would not agree to re-engagement of British oil exports.  
2. Iran would not agree to sell oil to Britain below the international rates.  
The Premier said both the World Bank and Britain insisted on discounts in oil prices, hence the talks had broken down.  
According to local reports, the Bank has been informed of Iran's decision by the Iranian Ambassador, Mr. Ghazvini Ali Khan, who called on Dr. Mossadegh last night. —United Press.

## Sabotage To Ship Suspected

Boston, Lincolnshire, Dec. 26.  
Suspected sabotage had caused a fire aboard the Swedish timber ship *Sundar* (1,168 tons) here on Christmas Day, the captain of the ship said today.  
Local firemen summoned to the docks in the early hours of Christmas morning eventually had to sink her in the harbour basin. Today they were trying to refloat the ship again by pumping out the water. There was also a big explosion in the No. 2 hold of the *Sundar*, which came here from Finland. —Reuter.

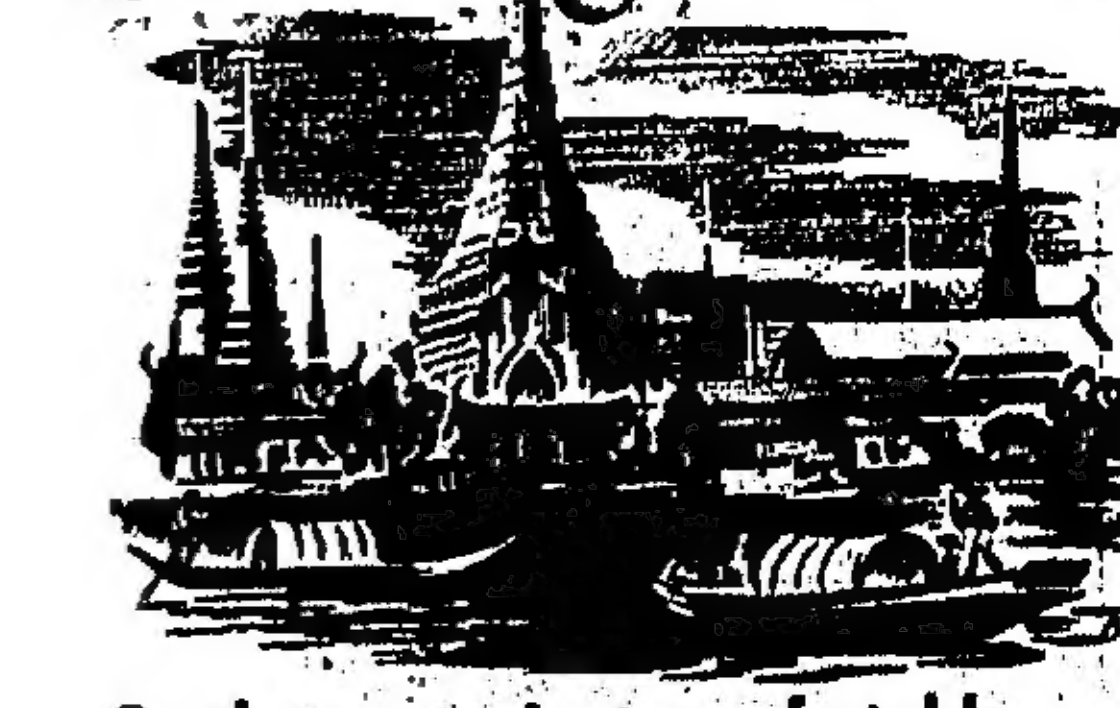
## Rains Ruin Crops

Marrakech, Dec. 26.  
The recent heavy rains have ruined many crops in Southern Morocco, the authorities estimated today. Heavy suffering was the result of the rains and the loss of the crops. —United Press.

## Plane Disaster

Ankara, Dec. 26.  
A Turkish Air Force plane crashed yesterday, killing a colonel, a lieutenant-colonel, two captains and two other officers. —United Press.

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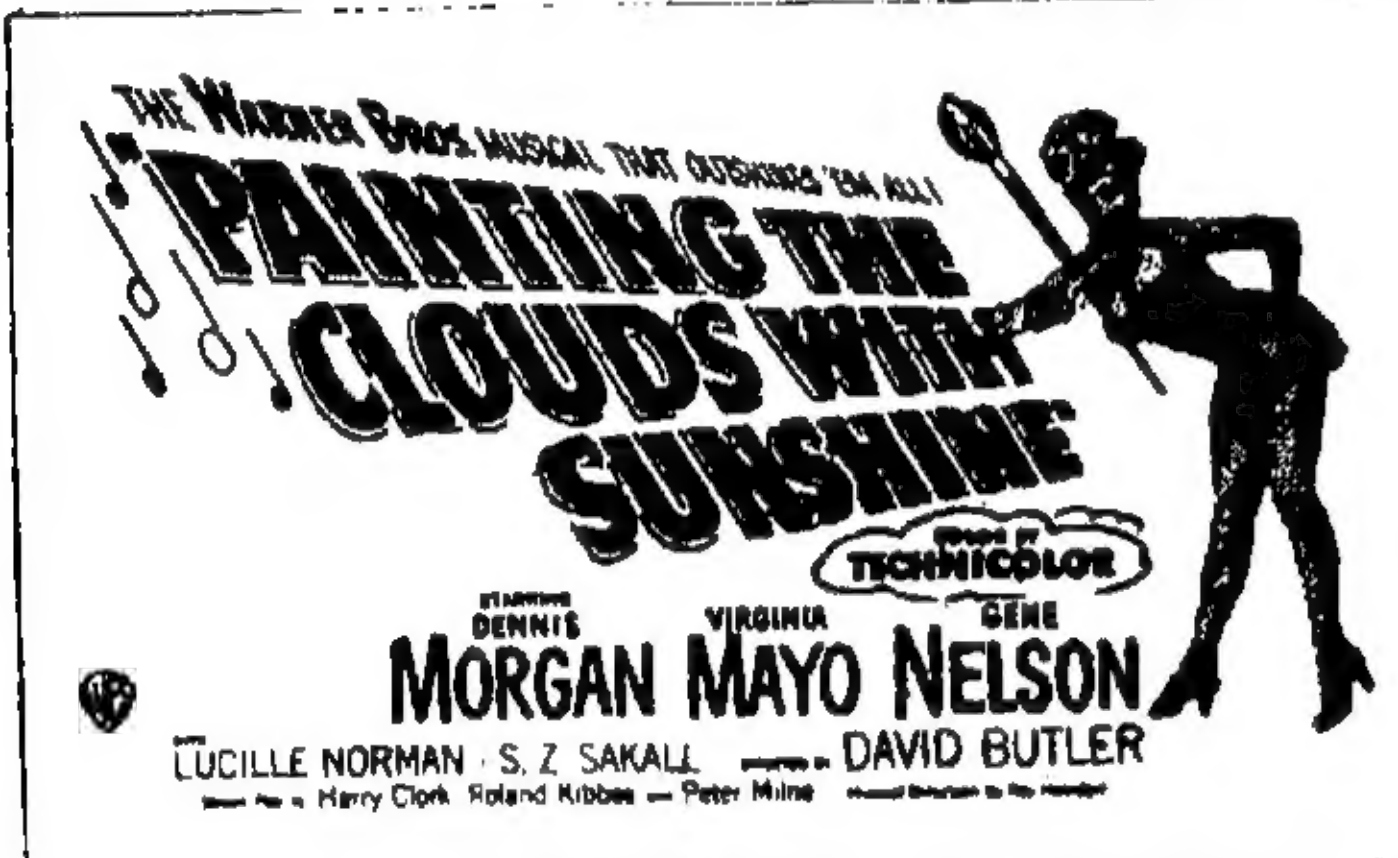
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## INDO-JAPANESE TREATY DRAFT

Tokyo, Dec. 25.—The Japanese Foreign Office was today reported to be studying an Indian draft of the proposed treaty between Japan and India.

The draft became available here on December 22. Foreign Office sources said. It is expected that negotiations for the treaty necessary because India did not attend the San Francisco conference will start in the Spring, probably in Tokyo.

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# BROADCAST TO EMPIRE

## British Example To The World Golden Thread Of Tolerance And Understanding

London, Dec. 25.

His Majesty the King, in his Christmas Day broadcast to the British Commonwealth, said he thought that "among all the blessings which we may count today, the chief one is that we are a friendly people."

## Aly Khan Marriage Rumours

Buenos Aires, Dec. 24.—The Argentine Press reported today that Prince Aly Khan would marry an Argentine beauty in whose company he has been seen several times on the beach at Copacabana.

Prince Aly Khan is due to arrive here on December 28 and a suite of rooms has been reserved for him and his party at a luxury hotel.

The marriage between Aly Khan and Rita Hayworth has not yet been dissolved.

In New York, Rita Hayworth's lawyer said today that Prince Aly Khan has been telephoning the actress from South America but the conversations do not mean Miss Hayworth will call off her plans for divorce.

Mr Bartley Crum, who returned today from Hollywood where he conferred with Miss Hayworth, said the Prince has been calling his wife only to inquire about their daughter, Yasmín.

"It is only natural for any father to call about his daughter," he said. "As far as I know, Miss Hayworth is interested only in her motion picture career at this time."—France-Press and United Press.

## AN OFFICER'S HEROISM

Tokyo, Dec. 24.—The American army newspaper "Stars and Stripes" today featured a story of a British Commonwealth division officer risking his life to save a wounded United States soldier.

The American was laying signal wires across a Communist minefield, apparently unaware of the warning signs. One mine exploded, practically severing one of the soldier's feet.

The British soldier, named as Lieutenant-Colonel P. N. M. Moore, of Somerset, used a pocket knife to feel a way across the minefield and guided stretcher bearers across the path he had made.—Reuter.

## Worst Crossing In 20 Years

New York, Dec. 25.—Captain Frank G. Garrigue, master of the French liner, *Le de France* (44,356 tons), which docked here early yesterday 36 hours late on her trip from Europe, said that the Atlantic weather was the worst he had seen in 20 years.

His ship's speed was reduced from 22 to 12 knots for part of the voyage as 50-foot waves sent spray over the funnels 100 feet above the water line.—Reuter.

## One Method Of Economising

Teheran, Dec. 25.—The Iranian Ambassadors in London, New Delhi, and Rome, and the Iranian Minister in Brussels, have been recalled only for the purpose of saving foreign currency, a Government spokesman said tonight.

The spokesman told the Press: "The Government has decided to reduce drastically personnel of its diplomatic missions abroad."

He denied there were any differences between the chiefs of these missions and the Iranian Government.—France-Press.

## Czech Mission To Iran

Teheran, Dec. 25.—The Iranian Government spokesman announced today that a Czechoslovakian mission would arrive shortly in Teheran to negotiate an agreement on purchase of Iranian oil.

The spokesman said: "The Iranian Government does not know yet under what terms Czechoslovakia would buy oil for now, this oil would be transported." Then, he stressed, does not own any oil tankers.—France-Press.

The King said: "We are living in an age which is often hard and cruel and if there is anything that we can offer the world today, perhaps it is the example of tolerance and understanding that runs like a golden thread through the great and diverse family of the British Commonwealth of Nations."

He expressed his thanks for the prayers and sympathy of his people in his recent illness and remembered especially "our friends and our sons and brothers who are now facing hardships and dangers in Malaya and Korea, a 'band of brothers' drawn from all parts of my Dominions."

For the first time since the Royal Christmas Day broadcast was started by King George V in 1932, this year it had been recorded instead of a "live" broadcast being made.

The King made the recording at Buckingham Palace before he left London last Friday to spend Christmas at Sandringham.

This was done because the King's voice has not yet completely regained its normal strength and is still liable to be a little uncertain. The recording, made in small takes, was done on the advice of his doctors.

The King said: "As I speak to you today, I would like to wish you, wherever you may be, a happy Christmas. Though we live in hard and critical times, Christmas is, and always will be, a time when we can and should count our blessings."

"The blessings of home, the blessings of happy family gatherings and the blessing of the hopeful message of Christmas."

## DEEP THANKFULNESS

"I myself have every cause for deep thankfulness. For not only by the grace of God and through the faithful skill of my doctors, surgeons and nurses, have I come through my illness, but I have learned once again that it is in sad times that we value most highly the support and sympathy of our friends."

"From my peoples in these islands and in the British Commonwealth and Empire—as well as from many other countries—this support and sympathy has reached me, and I thank you now from my heart."

"I trust that you yourselves realise how greatly your prayers and good wishes have helped and are helping me in my recovery. It has been a great disappointment to the Queen and myself that we have been compelled to give up for the second time the tour which we had planned for next year."

"We were looking forward to meeting my peoples in their own homes and we realise that they will share our regret that this cannot be."

"I am very glad that our daughter, Princess Elizabeth, with her husband, will be able to visit these countries, and I know that their welcome there will be as warm as that which awaited us."

## OLD, SIMPLE THINGS

"You are, most of you, now sitting at home among your families, listening to me, as I speak from mine."

"At Christmas we feel that the old, simple things matter most. They do not change, however much the world outside may seem to do so."

"When we say that Christmas brings good cheer, we do not only think of material things, we think more of the feelings of friendliness and comradeship we have one for the other."

"And I think that, among all the blessings which we may count today, the chief one is that we are a friendly people. We do not all think alike, of course. We are such a large family of nations that this would be difficult. We each have our own ideas, but we have come to learn that differences of opinion are not the same as quarrels."

## William Henry Can't Lose

Birmingham, Dec. 25.—William Henry Smith can't lose this one. Standing as Conservative candidate for re-election as a Municipal Councillor is William Henry Smith, 69. Opposing him will be the Labour Party candidate, William Henry Smith, 37, and so, no contest.

Election officials are not sure how to set up the ballot for this one.—Associated Press.

## Santa Was Burned In Effigy

Dijon, Dec. 24.—Santa Claus was burned in effigy on the steps of Dijon Cathedral yesterday. Two hundred and fifty children watched—and cheered.

A figure twice as large as life, wearing the traditional red costume and white beard, was hoisted to the wrought-iron grille at the door of the great Gothic church.

A young man in a top hat called out: "Does Santa Claus deserve death?"

"Yes, yes!" shouted the children and pelted Santa with orange peels.

A fire was set and Santa Claus perished in the flames. Only his gloves remained.

The children belonged to the Roman Catholic Patronage of St. Benigne Paris, the Cathedral's parish. After the ceremony, an anonymous communique was posted on the church door. It read:

"United in all the Christian homes of the parish, 250 children who want to fight against lies have burned Santa Claus. This is not a vaudeville act, but a protest against lies which are incapable of awakening the religious feelings of children and are in no sense a method of education. To a Christian, Christmas is the anniversary of the Saviour's birth."

Several French Catholic prelates, including Jules-Géraud Cardinal Saliege of Toulouse, recently have denounced the "paganisation" of Christmas, specifically assailing Santa Claus.—Associated Press.

## Chapter Of Accidents

Prestwick, Dec. 25.—Thirty-two of 68 passengers who were stranded at Prestwick Airport yesterday when one engine of their giant American transport plane caught fire, left here today by an American naval plane for Frankfurt, Germany.

Among the passengers who stayed overnight in local hotels were seven American mothers and their 11 children, who have been trying for more than a week to fly from Massachusetts to Frankfurt to join their husbands and fathers.

They have encountered a succession of troubles, including engine failures, fog and ice. The engine fire here was extinguished before much damage was done to the aircraft.—Reuter.

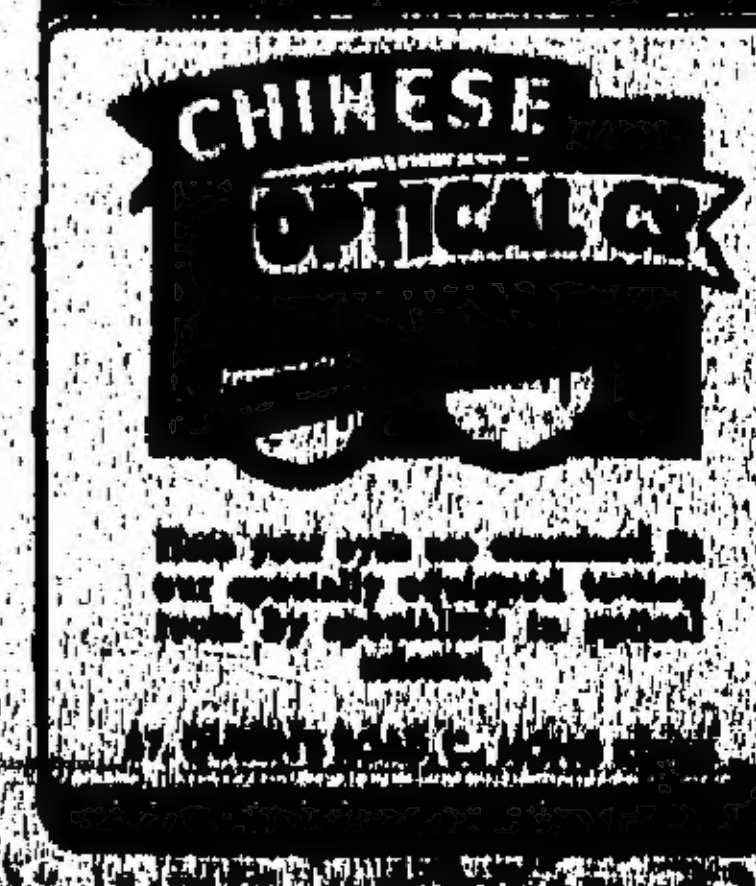
## Envoy Dies At Post

Cairo, Dec. 25.—The Italian Ambassador to Egypt, Don Renato Bruns, died here of heart failure today. He was 80 years old and was born in Cagliari, Sardinia.

Don Renato was Italian Charge d'Affaires in Paris, in 1937 and 1938. In 1943 he was appointed Minister to Portugal and returned to Italy in November the same year to become Secretary-General of the Foreign Office.

In 1947 he was Italian Ambassador in Ankara. He was appointed to the Egyptian post in 1950.—Reuter.

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## • BY THE WAY •

by Beachcomber

HERE is a point for a last day of the year, also a course in journalism for interesting journalists.

Fit the following headlines in items in the news of the day. The headlines are in the left margin. The items are in the right margin. The headlines are in the left margin. The items are in the right margin.

**A sign of health**  
THOSE who were annoyed by the silly antics of the young English Communists in Berlin can console themselves with the thought that the English make very inferior Communists, and that the young English Communists in Berlin are the Russian to make of the English deflection which, bored with the official slogan, made a dash for it. On the other hand, the Russian Communists in Berlin are the Russian to make of the English deflection which, bored with the official slogan, made a dash for it.

**The Hidden Rhinoceros**  
SUPPER for two was laid in the luxurious apartment of Madam von Sickening. The evening was

## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

BORN today, you have a rather complex nature, one quite difficult to define. You are sympathetic to the needs of others, and are devoted and even indulgent when children are concerned. Yet when a child is dealing with you, you are a disciplinarian and often rather demanding. You have the capacity for keeping a secret, and this includes the fact that you are a child. You are a child, and you are a child. You are a child, and you are a child.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Try to postpone making any very important decision on a matter of procedure until later.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Be moderate in all your activities. If you feel a little lazy, don't try to push yourself.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—You should find this a pleasant day. Pay a neighborly visit to a friend. Bring pleasure to others.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Make sure that all your plans are carefully tested.

**Taurus** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Guard your valuable possessions for the next few days. There is a tendency to lose if you are careless.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 21)—You will be busy enough holding to your regular schedule. Don't attempt too much that is new just now.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22)—A good day for you to get out and meet new people. A new environment can prove exhilarating.

**LION** (July 23-Aug. 23)—Be careful if you are made an offer that looks just too good to be true. Perhaps it is just that!

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Hold off on a new project. Careful plans, but avoid execution until after the first of the new year.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—If you are feeling sorry for yourself, see how the "other half" lives! You'll be more appreciative.

## • BARBS

By HAL COCHRAN

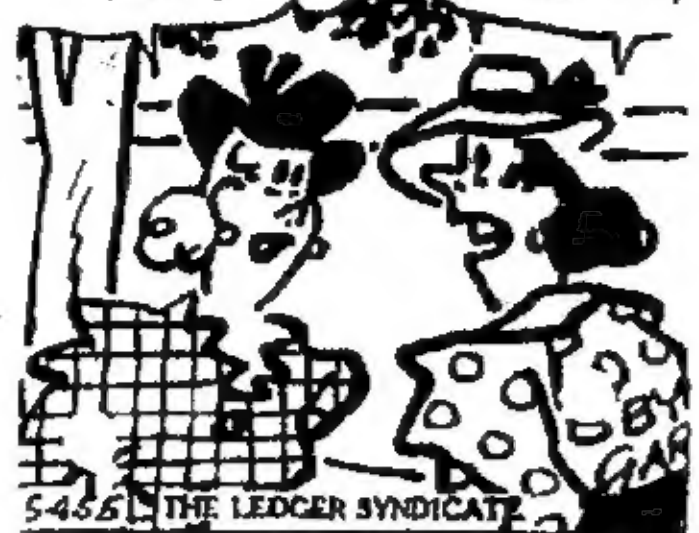
PEOPLE who travel in circles are the ones who run around too much.

Difficulties in learning to read are four times as common in boys as in girls, says a neurologist. No wonder dad can't read what's on mother's mind.

It's very easy to make your welcome last much longer if you use it properly.

## DUMB BELLS

SO YOU'RE GOING TO AUSTRALIA, ARE YOU? THEY HAVE STRANGE NIGHT THERE AT FIRST. BUT DON'T WORRY, THEY'LL GET USED TO IT!



## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Can You Figure Out This Expert's Play?

NORTH			
♠ Q1062			
♥ K542			
♦ 876			
♣ A J			
WEST			
♠ A19854			
♥ Q963			
♦ None			
♣ 842			
EAST			
♠ K73			
♥ None			
♦ 107632			
♣ 109763			
SOUTH (D)			
♠ None			
♥ A1087			
♦ AKQJ4			
♣ KQ6			
East-West vul.			
South	West	North	East
♠	♠	♠	♠
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♣	♣	♣	♣
Opening lead—♠ A			

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN the American Contract Bridge League held its national championships in Washington some months ago, most of the best players came from far and wide to put in a bid for the coveted top honors. Howard Schenken, of New York, didn't win any events this year, but he made enough sparkling plays to let the assembled experts know that his hand had lost none of its skill.

Schenken played the South cards of the hand shown today in the team championships. It was typical of him that he practically apologized for making the right play, while the expert who held the South hand at the other table completely overlooked the play that would clinch the slam contract.

At both tables West opened the ace of spades. Schenken then announced almost apologetically that he would take the safety play. Just for the fun of it, work it out for yourself. What's the right play at the second trick to make sure of the contract?

At the second trick, Schenken laid down the ace of hearts. Since East failed to follow suit, Schenken continued by finessing through West's queen. His jack of hearts was covered by West's queen and won by dummy's king. A third round of trumps fell to declarer's ten, and now it was safe to begin on the diamonds.

West could ruff whenever he liked, but that was the only trick the defenders could take.

The ace of hearts would be the safe play even if East happened to have all four trumps. (A 4-4 trump break was the only danger.) In that case, Schenken could continue with the jack of hearts to force out the queen. He could ruff a second spade with the right of hearts, cash the ten of hearts, and enter dummy with a club to draw the last trump with dummy's king.

When the hand was played at the other table, South ruffed the first spade and then led the eight of hearts to draw the ten of hearts. He had to ruff trumps to prevent West from pulling a diamond. At this point, he could lead the ten of hearts with the queen and then lead a spade to make South ruff with the jack. This established West's king of hearts as a second natural trump trick.

Q—The bidding, with East-West vulnerable, is:

West: 1 Heart Pass South: 1 Heart Pass Pass 2 Hearts 4-2 Diamonds A-J-9 Clubs A-10-9-7. What do you do?

A—Double. East's failure to respond shows that he has a really diamond hand. Hence it is very unlikely that West can make a game at anything. If South has a hand of modest strength, your side will make a part score. If North has heart strength and a weak hand, a "trap" pass, your double will give him a chance to pass for penalties.

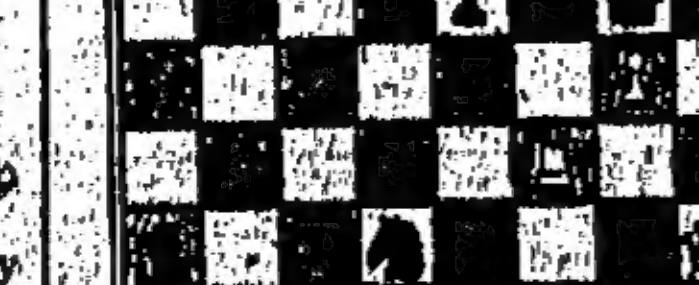
Q—What's the question?

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades A-Q-5-3, Hearts 4-2, Diamonds A-J-9, Clubs A-10-9-7. What do you do?

Answer: Tomorrow

## CHESS PROBLEM

By W. MAY  
Black, 9 pieces.



White, 11 pieces.  
White to play, mate in two.

Solution to Monday's problem: 1. White: 11 pieces. 2. Black: 9 pieces. 3. White: 11 pieces. 4. Black: 9 pieces. 5. White: 11 pieces. 6. Black: 9 pieces. 7. White: 11 pieces. 8. Black: 9 pieces. 9. White: 11 pieces. 10. Black: 9 pieces. 11. White: 11 pieces. 12. Black: 9 pieces. 13. White: 11 pieces. 14. Black: 9 pieces. 15. White: 11 pieces. 16. Black: 9 pieces. 17. White: 11 pieces. 18. Black: 9 pieces. 19. White: 11 pieces. 20. Black: 9 pieces. 21. White: 11 pieces. 22. Black: 9 pieces. 23. White: 11 pieces. 24. Black: 9 pieces. 25. White: 11 pieces. 26. Black: 9 pieces. 27. White: 11 pieces. 28. Black: 9 pieces. 29. White: 11 pieces. 30. Black: 9 pieces. 31. White: 11 pieces. 32. Black: 9 pieces. 33. White: 11 pieces. 34. Black: 9 pieces. 35. White: 11 pieces. 36. Black: 9 pieces. 37. White: 11 pieces. 38. Black: 9 pieces. 39. White: 11 pieces. 40. Black: 9 pieces. 41. White: 11 pieces. 42. Black: 9 pieces. 43. White: 11 pieces. 44. Black: 9 pieces. 45. White: 11 pieces. 46. 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## CRAIGENGOWER MATCH



This group photograph was taken at the annual Craigengower Married v. Single match on Sunday. The Bachelors won. — China Mail Photo.

## NOW WE WANT TO TAKE ON THE SOUTH AMERICANS

### It's Asking Too Much...

Says IVAN SHARPE

Are the Football Association really serious about this project to take England's £500,000 international team on a 12,000-mile tour to play Uruguay, Brazil and Argentina, in one trip, on the blistering grounds of South America?

Will they tackle the World Cup winners, World Cup finalists, and their nearest challengers all in one fell swoop, in the summer of 1953? Advice from Argentina say so.

From such an equatorial adventure—matches in tropical weather on sun-burnt grounds, to which our players are unaccustomed—the England team emerged in the World Cup with two unforgettable black eyes: one from Spain and the other from an unknown footballing country called USA.

Isn't the over-weighted visit next May to Italy, Austria and Switzerland a sufficient threat to our battered prestige?

#### MORE DEMANDS

These questions are likely to be raised soon when the influential body with the vague, but far-reaching title of FA Technical Committee meets the chairman of the North-Eastern clubs of the Football League at York.

So is the proposed resumption of "B" matches, as these suggest the scale on players to which the League clubs are renewing their objections. Without all this "B" palaver, Wales can win at Glasgow, R. E. Fenwick, of Gloucester, beat the Rest of the United Kingdom, and stand favourites for the International Championship. So one or two yokers may be bowled.

Newcastle United object to interference with the League's important programme of prizes and penalties, and say that all internationals, except against Scotland, Wales and Ireland, should be played out of the normal season.

Sunderland, equally perturbed, are to propose at the League's annual meeting that compulsory release of players be restricted to those three international Championship games.

The League clubs are loyal to country, but say the FA are overdoing it.

#### NO SLAVERY

It is long odds on Wales winning or sharing the International Championship as a 75th birthday celebration. A grand thing for this game little country which played off its first Welsh Cup final before it could buy a cup and the second before the trophy was paid for.

The country which first beat England with its honorary secretary, Llewellyn Kenrick, playing in his ordinary clothes.

George Lerry also says in the 75th birthday book that Billy Meredith's famous schoolmaster, T. E. Thomas, not only made the boys of Chirk keep the ball on the ground, but sent them back to their lessons when they raised it over the schoolyard wall.

Such thoroughness made not only Meredith, but Alan Morton, Wilfred Rhodes, Don Bradman. Does it exist today? Mr. Fenwick says players are not so thorough as when he was going through the mill, and that's not long before the war.

So I am not going to quarrel with Fred Emery, experienced manager of Carlisle United, when he says the professional footballer is not the slave he is made out to be and, in many cases, is not. The day when England can carry in amateur because he is an amateur is definitely over.

#### POINTS OFF?

Among the flurry of correspondence about encouraging attack come several criticisms of the system of awarding two points for a win and one for a draw.

James White of Edinburgh says a match finishing 0-0 should carry one point only, and this for the away team. R. E. Fenwick, of Gloucester, urges an extra point for the team scoring the first goal. All are incentives to attack. But there's a tinge of unfairness about most of them.

Some day—when substitution of injured players arrives—points may be abolished and league tables compiled on the margin of goals for and against.

Under this system the Spurs would still have won the First Division last season, with Manchester United and Blackpool still in the first three, but Huddersfield Town, instead of Sheffield Wednesday, would have joined Everton in relegation.

#### GO FOR GOALS

From as far afield as the Isle of Man and Eastbourne comes news of attacking experiment along the lines of the Austrian formation.

Chris Wren, former Tooting and Mitcham player, and certified FA coach, says the William Fries junior team at Eastbourne is finding it unbeatable.

If only the Football League clubs would resolve unanimously to scrap safety-first and go all out for goals!

Others, like H. T. Henry, of Clapton, think I am unjust to Arsenal. Not while Tom Whitaker is in command.

But I should praise them more if they set an example by building more for style and attack and banked less on size and defence.

#### SHARPE SHOOTING

Jack Hobbs says he now gets more pleasure from village than county cricket, and A. W. Carr, former England captain, thinks our Test revival should be captained by Len Hutton.

Timely, truthful comments. But as Freddie Brown supplies the colour that Hobbs desires, he should have another year in command, if his form justifies it. The day when England can carry in amateur because he is an amateur is definitely over.

## Britain Wins Softball International

### By "Grandstand"

Once more Great Britain proved to be the stumbling block, to Pakistan, in their quest for International honours, when the Lions subdued them 9-5 in the first round of the Softball Series.

Portugal just managed to shade the United States of America 5-3 in the opener of the Boxing Day programme while China shutout the Philippine Islanders 14-0 to qualify for the next bout against Britain over the Chinese New Year holidays.

Finding a powerhouse outfit, the Britishers collected nine blows off hurlers Sherry Bux and A. K. Ismail for Pakistan to pave the way for a deserving triumph. Kelly Silva, Red, White and Blue for the first time, checked a three-hit stunt but yielded five tickets to first base when he lapsed into a wild spell.

Portugal, who are defending their title, did not have an easy time against USA and had to fight all the way to a 5-3 decision. Uncle Sam was represented by the gobs from the Albuquerque with James Herrick of the Junior League Pandas on this rubber.

Winning pitcher was Vic Pedruco who limited the opposition to three hits, but this was only possible with brilliant fielding behind him, particularly by catcher Alonzo Bragg, who fielded a gem when he hauled in a home-run attempt.

The margin of victory for the Portuguese lads occurred in the second frame when a squeeze play with two runners on base was misplayed. With two away hurlers, Herrick fielded a bunt by Vic Pedruco, but first base was left vacant as the basemen covered Herrick, and when the apple was fired over the sack it landed in right field and both runners scored.

Philippines fielded a ragged side comprising mainly junior leaguers, and when the smoke had cleared after the first frame, seven runs were notched up by China, after which they fielded their reserves and accumulated a total of 14 rallies for the remainder of the game.

South China's Wong Po-chiu pitched the full seven frames for the winners with Harry Louie backing him behind the plate. While the Junior League's Terry Roy of the Blue Sox and Terry Lucido of the Delaware shared the mound chores for the losers.

## DAVIS CUP:

## Americans & Australians Share First Two Singles Of Challenge Round

By GAYLE TALBOT

Sydney, Australia, Dec. 26.

American and Australian Davis Cup forces battled to a standstill in the first two singles matches before a crowd of 15,300 at White City Stadium today and the consensus tonight was that the challenge round will be decided by tomorrow's doubles.

Vic Seixas sent Uncle Sam's team in front with a dull 6-3, 6-4, 9-7 victory over badly stage-stricken Mervyn Rose, but Frank Sedgman squared the issue with a brilliant triumph over veteran Ted Schroeder, 6-4, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.

Frank Shields, captain of the U.S. team, announced immediately after the second match that he will stick with his doubles pair, Schroeder and Tony Trabert against Sedgman and Ken McGregor tomorrow unless somebody comes up lame.

Schroeder figures to be a tired 30-year-old after the stirring battle he gave Sedgman in the final two sets today. Should Shields decide to rest him for the singles on the final day, his place will be taken by Dick Savitt.

#### SCHROEDER AT HIS BEST

Ted gave a memorable performance against Sedgman, who for the day, virtually was unbeatable, and just fell short of carrying the young Aussie ace to the fifth set.

Shields, feeling no regret at having chosen the veteran over Savitt for the singles, shouted: "Wasn't it a great match?"

Although defeated, Schroeder gave the big crowd the thrill it had waited for by rallying to win the third set and fighting Sedgman to a bitter finish in the fourth.

He fought off four set and match points before Sedgman finally passed him cleanly at the net for the clincher.

The crowd stood and gave both an ovation as they shook hands. Schroeder appeared doomed to a straight set defeat when he trailed 1-3 in the third set after dropping his service weakly at love, but it turned out he'd just begun to battle.

The Pacific Coast star chose that juncture to come off the grass fighting and from there on it was as thrilling a tennis match as anyone would wish to see.

Ted ripped through five of the next six games to bring an ovation from the standing room only throng as they left the court for the intermission.

#### READY FOR ANYTHING

At the start of the fourth set, Australian experts were ready to accept anything and for a time it looked like they would get it.

Both players were serving at a terrific pace and following in to put the ball away with blistering volleys.

Only five points were won against service as the score reached 2-1.

Then Schroeder made his last supreme bid to break Sedgman. He reached game point at 30-40 and went for it with a scorching forehand down the right line.

It missed by inches and Sedgman recovered the hold after two deuces. If Schroeder's drive had nicked the line the entire result of the match might have been altered.

As it was, Sedgman finally gained his victory by breaking in the 10th game.

Four times Schroeder fought off match point, but on fifth try Sedgman reached the net and sent the winning volley past him into the open court.

Shields declared Sedgman played the greatest tennis he ever saw. Captain Harry Hopman, of the Aussies, would not quite concede that, but said he was "quite satisfied" with Frank's form.

Actually for the greater part of the match Sedgman's tennis was brilliant in the extreme. Possibly no amateur who ever lived could have beaten him in the first two sets. He tailed off slightly in the third, possibly in surprise at Schroeder's sudden determined rally.

But the blond star was right back giving a beautiful demonstration of every shot in the game in the fourth set and nothing Schroeder could do was good enough to stem the tide.

#### MAGNIFICENT

"A magnificent match" exclaimed thousands as the crowd fled from the stadium.

Seixas, although apparently feeling the weight of his first Davis Cup challenge round and playing well below his top form, had no real difficulty with Rose.

Unless the Aussie youngster picks up greatly, Schroeder will have nothing to fear from him in their duel on Friday.

The large segment of the Australian public which criticized his selection to play the singles instead of McGregor, was in full cry tonight.

Rose, a left-hander, put up a real scrap only in the third set, which was much too late.

Seixas won his service on the first 12 tries and lost it but twice in the closing stages of the match.

When Rose finally pressed him, he brought out his best form of the day and would not be denied.

At times during the match Rose became petulant and tossed the ball about the court and generally gave his countrymen a drab exhibition.

Saxxa, although the winner today will be the underdog in his tilt with Sedgman on Friday.—Associated Press.

## QUARTERLY BOXERS' RATING LIST IS UNCERTAIN ON LOUIS

Washington, Dec. 25.

In a quandary as to how to classify the former Heavyweight Champion, Joe Louis, the National Boxing Association today listed him among logical contenders but only as a "tribute to his contribution to boxing."

The ratings, based upon ring performances during the past 90 days, are released quarterly with the joint approval of the NBA National Commissioner, Abe Greene, and the National President, Dave Rochoen. It marked the first time in NBA history a boxer was listed with a qualification such as was planted beside Louis' name.

Significant ratings included Yolande Pompee, Trinidad light-heavyweight who was rated as an outstanding boxer on the strength of his upset triumph over the highly-regarded Dave Sands of Australia. Sands, who occasionally campaigns among the light-heavyweights, dropped to outstanding boxer class in the middleweight ranks.

#### THE RATINGS

Ratings were as follows: Heavyweight champion, Jersey Joe Walcott. Logical contenders, Rocky Marciano, Ezzard Charles, Clarence Henry, (Joe Louis?). Outstanding boxer, Hein Ten Hoff. Honorable Mention, Rex Layne, Cesar Brion, Roland La Starza, Bob Baker, Jack Gardner, Kid Rivers, Gene Jones, Jimmy Blvins, Joe Baksi.

Light-heavyweight champion, Joey Maxim. Logical contender, Harry Matthews, Harold Johnson, Archie Moore. Outstanding boxers, Dan Buccanelli, Westbury Bascom, Bob Satterfield, Yolande Pompee. Honorable Mention, Danny Nardice, J. Keene, Jim Slade, Bob Murphy, Connie Rux, Don Cockell, Remo Tontini.

Middleweight champion, Ray Robinson. Logical contender, Randy Turpin. Outstanding boxers, Ronnie Delaney, Dave Sands, Walter Cartier, Gene Harston, Laurent Dauthille.

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## 'IKE' LOSES

## TITLE TO

## SENATOR

New York, Dec. 25.

The Commander-in-Chief of Allied powers in Europe, General Dwight D. Eisenhower, has lost the title of American Senator, Henry Cabot Lodge, the title of America's best-dressed man.

This decision was announced tonight by the President of the American Women's Institute following a poll in which 100,000 women took part.

Senator Cabot Lodge has also been selected as the man with the ideal chic.

Eisenhower has his qualifications for this flattering title the day he abandoned civilian clothes and put back his uniform.

At the same poll, General Douglas MacArthur was named as the man with the most traditional chic.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, was mentioned for his chic and distinguished bearing.

Mr. Henry Ford Jr. was elected as the man with the most youthful chic—France-Press.

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"CANTON"	13th December	14th January
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"CHUSAN"	22nd January	10th February
"CORFU"	7th February	10th March

Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang & Singapore

Homewards	Leaves Hongkong	Due London
"CANTON"	18th January	18th February
"CARTHAGE"	15th February	15th March
"CHUSAN"	2nd February	21st March
"CORFU"	14th March	14th April

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden & London.

## FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards	Due Hongkong	From
"TREVOSE"	30th December	London & Continent
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	sails 27th Dec.	for Japan
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1951.

"Quality carries on"



# Arsenal Take Over Leadership Of First Division: Few Holiday Upsets

London, Dec. 26.

The Christmas holiday soccer programme produced three changes in the leadership in the English Leagues. Arsenal, with three points from their two games with Portsmouth, head Division I on goal average over Manchester United and Portsmouth.

Cardiff, also with three points from two games, lead in Division II, while Brighton heads the race in the Southern Section of Division III. Lincoln, alone of the four leaders before the holiday programme, retained their place. They are still at the top of the Northern Section.

Only four clubs gained the maximum six points from the three matches, including the Saturday. They are Manchester City, Birmingham, Coventry, and Reading.

Three teams, Luton, Bury, and Gillingham, all failed to score a point from their three games.

Except for a very heavy snow in the North of England, conditions generally were good for soccer during the holiday and on the whole, the results were less startling than usual at such periods.

Twelve teams gained double-digit points. Manchester City over Chelsea, Leeds over Bury, Birmingham over Rotherham, Southampton over Brentford, Colchester over Gillingham, Newport over Shrewsbury, Reading over Aldershot, Norwich over Ipswich, Brighton over Crystal Palace, Hartlepool over Middlesbrough, and Grimsby over Southport.

One of the biggest turnabouts of results was the clash between Exeter and Torquay. On Christmas Day Torquay won 4-0 at Exeter, but today they beat Exeter 5-1. Watford, beaten at home by Northampton 4-2 yesterday, turned the tables, with a 4-1 win at Northampton today.

Arsenal owed much of their success against Portsmouth to the recall of Freddie Cox on the right wing. He scored in both games.

An interesting feature of the First Division was that Middlesbrough's defeat of Stoke was their first win since September 29.

In the Second Division, Rotherham's double defeat by Birmingham sent them back to eighth position.—Reuter.

Associates described the young doctor as habitually cheerful and light-hearted, but they said that in the last two weeks he had appeared depressed.—Reuter.

## "British Spies" Sentenced

London, Dec. 26.  
A Bulgarian court today sentenced to death four of 10 men accused of spying for Britain, America and Turkey, the Bulgarian news agency reported.

The six other men were sentenced to prison terms ranging from six to 20 years.

All were charged with "criminal activities aimed at overthrowing the legitimate regime in Bulgaria."—Reuter.

## Surgeon Commits Suicide

Detroit, Dec. 26.  
The body of a 26-year-old Japanese surgeon and teacher was found in a semi-kneeling position on a blood-soaked bed in a receiving hospital here yesterday.

He was identified as Dr. Minoru Wada, of Tokyo.

Detective Kuntzler said that the young medical man apparently committed a doctor's version of harikari.

Kuntzler said that two small incisions, evidently made by a razor, were found in the man's throat.

They severed the femoral arteries, causing him to bleed to death. On the bed, attendants found a razor blade.

On a bedside table was a note that read: "To the good people of Detroit: I am sorry to have wasted money."

Dr. Wada, a member of a medical family, came to this country in October on a fellowship arranged through the State Department. He was studying American surgical methods and conducting research on blood vessels.

Associates described the young doctor as habitually cheerful and light-hearted, but they said that in the last two weeks he had appeared depressed.—Reuter.

## U.S. OFFERS TO PAY HUNGARY

Washington, Dec. 26.  
The United States has offered to pay the fines on four American airmen held by Hungarian military court, the State Department announced today.

The offer to pay the fines was conditional on the prompt release of the men, Mr. Michael McDermott, State Department spokesman said.

He added that the Hungarian Foreign Office was told of the offer yesterday evening but the State Department knew nothing about reports that the airmen had been or were about to be released.

The four men were aboard a C-47 cargo plane forced down by Soviet fighters on November 10 and were sentenced three days ago for violating the frontier.

The amount of the fines, collectively imposed, was the equivalent of \$44,000.

American newspapers and individuals, pending a Government decision, have started to raise the money voluntarily.

In a formal statement issued here today, the State Department said that it had been the constant and urgent endeavor of the Government to obtain the airmen's release.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Division "A"	Division "B"
Partick 1	Dundee 1
Division "B"	Queens Park 2
Dunfermline 2	

IRISH LEAGUE

Ards 1	Bangor 2
Ballymena 3	Distillery 3
Coleraine 2	Derry City 1
Crusaders 1	Cliftonville 3
Glenavon 4	Larne 3
Portadown 1	Glennavon 2

BOXING DAY GAMES

First Division	Second Division
Blackpool 2	Liverpool 0
Derby 2	Huddersfield 1
Fulham 3	Middlesbrough 3
Manchester C 3	Chelsea 1
Middlesbrough 3	Stoke 0
Newcastle 2	Sunderland 2
Portsmouth 1	Arsenal 1
Preston 1	Burnley 1

TURNED TABLES

Tottenham 2	Charlton 2
West Brom 3	Bolton 2
Wolves 1	Walsall 2

Second Division

Cardiff 3	Swansea 0
Coventry 3	Bury 0
Everton 1	Doncaster 0
Hull 3	Blackburn 0
Leeds 2	Leicester 1
Luton 0	West Ham 1
Notts F. 2	Sheff Wed. 1
Queens P.R. 1	Barnsley 2
Rotherham 1	Birmingham 2
Sheff U. 1	North County 0
Southampton 2	Brentford 0

Third Division, Southern

Aldershot 2	Reading 2
Brighton 3	Palace 1
Bristol C. 1	Plymouth 1
Colchester 1	Gillingham 1
Leyton 1	Bournemouth 0
Millwall 0	Swindon 0
Northampton 1	Watford 4
Norwich 2	Ipswich 1
Portsmouth 1	Bristol R. 1
Shrewsbury 1	Newport 4
Southend 3	Walsall 4
Torquay 3	Exeter 1

Third Division, Northern

Accrington 1	Darlington 3
Barrow 2	Tranmere 0
Bradford 0	York 0
Carlisle 0	Gateshead 0
Chester 3	Chesterfield 0
Crawley 1	Stockport 1
Halifax 1	Bradford 1
Lincoln 3	Wrexham 2
Mansfield 1	Rochdale 1
Scunthorpe 1	Grimsby 3
Workington 6	Southport 1

IRISH LEAGUE

Bangor 3	Portadown 2
Cliftonville 4	Ards 2
Derry City 2	Ballymena U. 2
Distillery 0	Coleraine 0
Glenavon 1	Glenavon 3
Larne 1	Crusaders 1

HIT & RUN DRIVER

A hit-and-run driver was fined \$850 by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday for failing to stop after a traffic accident.
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STOLE FROM STUDENT

For stealing \$20 from a 15-year-old student, Tam Ngan, 35, unemployed, with three previous convictions, was sentenced to eight months and ordered four strokes of the cane by Mr. Poon Yan-hoi at Central yesterday.
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CARELESS BUT LUCKY

A cyclist "lucky to be alive today" was fined \$10 by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday for careless driving.
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BANISHEE STEALS FOUNTAIN PEN

A 19-year-old unemployed Lau Kai was sentenced to four months by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday for larceny of a fountain pen from a pedestrian in Johnston Road near Barrow Street on December 23.
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INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

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CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. 1952. 2. By crossing a wild California blackberry with a red raspberry. 3. Jean Faircloth. 4. Richard Strauss. 5. A whitish alloy of tin, zinc and copper. 6. North America, Europe and Asia.
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DISORDERLY CONDUCT DURING CHRISTMAS

22 of the Royal Ulster Rifles, were each fined \$15 for disorderly conduct. The defendants were seen fighting with other servicemen last Monday night.
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RECORD US STEEL PRODUCTION

New York, Dec. 26. American steel furnaces poured an average of 200 tons of ingots every minute of 1951 to produce a record total for the year of 105 million tons, Mr. Walter Tower, President of the American Iron and Steel Institute, said today.
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TRYGVE LIE GIVES UN PAT ON BACK

Paris, Dec. 26. Mr. Trygve Lie, United Nations Secretary-General, said here today that he felt that discussion in the General Assembly of the United Nations so far had been less propagandist and more sober and objective than in the past.
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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

It's perfume my Uncle Waldo picked out for me personally—Isn't that enough reason for bringing it back?
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## BALL LED THEM TO JEWELS



Four nine-year-old Kilburn (London) boys shown with the ball that led them to the discovery of a quantity of jewellery in Ravenshaw Street. They lost their ball over the wall of a furniture remover's yard and, going to look for it, found a rusty safe containing jewellery. The furniture remover said the safe had been in his yard for 10 years, and he did not know it contained the jewels.

## Disorderly Conduct During Christmas

22 of the Royal Ulster Rifles, were each fined \$15 for disorderly conduct. The defendants were seen fighting with other servicemen last Monday night.

Plending guilty to a charge of disorderly conduct, John Thomas Connor, 24, able bodied seaman of HMS Concord, was fined \$5 and bound over in \$100 to be of good behaviour for one year by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday.

It was said that at 10.30 p.m. on Christmas Day, a rickshaw pulled by Chan Tam-yeo reported to the Police that while he was near the Arsenal Street, jolly opposite the China Fleet Club, a European pushed his rickshaw into the harbour.

The complainant then took the Police to the Fleet Club where defendant was identified. The rickshaw was later salvaged by a Naval launch and found to be slightly damaged.

Defendant told the Court that he had had a couple of drinks and did not know what actually happened at the time of the incident.

Defendant was also ordered to pay \$10 compensation to the rickshaw puller.

Gnr William Rowley was fined \$25 by Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon on Boxing Day for behaving in a disorderly manner. He was also ordered to pay \$65 compensation to a shop at 47 Peking Road for damaging a showcase at 8 p.m. on December 24.

Two other soldiers, Rifleman A. Lather, 20 and T. Campbell, 17, were each fined \$10 for disorderly conduct.

Steel-making furnaces operated at an average slightly over 100 per cent of the rated capacity, a performance never before duplicated, he said.

But output did not yield aggregate profits in proportion to the increased volume of business, he pointed out. Because of sharply higher income taxes, the combined net income of steel companies, accounting for 75 per cent of the total shipments of finished steel, declined 21 per cent in the first nine months of 1951 compared with the corresponding part of 1950, Mr. Tower added.—Reuter.

The Prosecution alleged that at about 3.10 p.m. on December 24, an off-duty Police constable and a Det. Police constable walking along Morrison Street near Jervois Street saw first defendant go to Lau Kai-keung, 15, student, and put his left hand, under cover of a handkerchief held in his other hand, into complainant's jacket pocket. He was also seen picking banknotes from the pocket.

It was a cowardly thing to do to drive off after hitting the woman," commented Mr. Wicks. "Had you a previous conviction for a similar offence, you would most probably get a prison sentence without the option."

Inspector Dewar commented that it was lucky that the defendant did not get hit over the head.

## Seafarers Were Not Forgotten

Christmas was traditionally celebrated at the Sailors' Home and the Missions to Seamen when more than 300 seafarers from many lands were entertained to dinner on Christmas Day.

During the evening, telegrams of greetings from the London Headquarters, the Minister of Transport, the Colonial Secretary and the Director of Marine, were read and cheered. Toasts were drunk to The King, Folks at Home, Folks at Sea and to the "People of Hongkong who had shown their appreciation of the seafarers' efforts by sending their donations to help pay for the Christmas programme of festivities."

Captain W. Hosking voiced the guests' appreciation of all that had been done by the staff of the Missions to Seamen in organising the programme.

Following the dinner the guests were entertained to a "Bumper Christmas Variety Show" featuring the "Flying Tiger" troupe, a group of 14 Chinese jugglers, acrobats and dancers from Shanghai. Other entertainers included Ned Sparks (humorous monologues), Terry Parsons (songs), D. McClean (Scottish ballads), the Rev. W. J. Haig-Brown, Chaplain, (magician), and Ken Murray, Peter Hubbard was at the piano.

On Christmas Eve some 60 large stockings, filled with useful gifts, fruit and nuts, were distributed to seafarers in hospitals by Mrs. Haig (Lady Warden) and the Chaplain. At 8 p.m. the Chaplain was "At Home" in his flat and entertained over 70 seamen who "dropped in" for light refreshments and indoor games.

Carols and hymns were sung at a special Christmas Carol service at Christ Church last night before a full congregation. The singing was led by the St. John's Cathedral Choir, conducted by Mr. D. J. Fraser. The Rev. C. P. Smith officiated at the service.

## IRC GROUP IN COLONY

### REPORTING TO TOKYO

Six senior officials of the International Red Cross Committee, including a medical officer, arrived from Geneva by BOAC yesterday en route to Tokyo. They left Geneva on December 19 with orders to go to Tokyo to contact Dr. Otto Lehner, IRC delegate in Japan, for further instructions, according to Mr. Nicholas Burckhardt, leader of the group.

Mr. Burckhardt did not deny earlier speculation from Geneva that the group was expected to deal with matters arising from the exchange of prisoners of war between the Communists and the United Nations.

The other five members of the Committee are Messrs. Georges Hoffman, Jean Courvoisier, Jean Maurice Plot, Coatrix, and Dr. Maurice Albert. They were met at Kai Tak yesterday by Mr. Paul Blatmann and Mr. A. Durand, honorary delegate and delegate of the IRC in the Colony respectively.

The group will fly on to Tokyo today.

## FIGHT ON A SHIP

Thirty-four hawkers and wharf coolies came before Mr. James Wicks at Kowloon yesterday for disorderly conduct. They were arrested on board the ss Hunan anchoring in the harbour last Monday. They were accused of fighting on board the ship. Several of them appeared before Court with bandages on their heads, while two of three had their hands bandaged.

On application by Inspector Dewar, they were remanded until today for further enquiry.

## Radio Hongkong

4.30 p.m. Programme Summary: 12.30, Stephanie Grappelly and His Orchestra with Popular Harmonies. 1.00, Light Music: 1.15, News, Weather Report and Announcements: 1.30, "Don Pasquale" (Recorded Relay): 2.00, Close Down. 5.00 p.m. Programme Summary: 4.30, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 5.15, Studio Concert. 5.30, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 5.45, Studio Concert. 6.00, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 6.15, Studio Concert. 6.30, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 6.45, Studio Concert. 7.00, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 7.15, Studio Concert. 7.30, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 7.45, Studio Concert. 8.00, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 8.15, Studio Concert. 8.30, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 8.45, Studio Concert. 9.00, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 9.15, Studio Concert. 9.30, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 9.45, Studio Concert. 10.00, "The Sound of Music" (Recorded Relay): 10.15, Studio Concert. 10.30, "The 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